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1. THE CALM THAT HAS PREVAILED IN KINSHASA SINCE THE ONSET OF THE SHABAN EVENTS WAS INTERRUPTED ON MAY 19 BY DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE EMBASSIES OF THE COUNTRIES BLAMED FOR THE CURRENT SHABA CONFLICT; THE USSR, ALGERIA AND LIBYA. EMBOFFS OBSERVED SMALL CROWDS (MAXIMUM 150 INDIVIDUALS) OUTSIDE THE SOVIET AND ALGERIAN MISSIONS. THE SOVIET EMBASSY AND SOME OF ITS MISSION VEHICLES SUFFERED BORKEN WINDOWS. THE ALGERIAN EMBASSY WAS ALSO DAMAGED.

2. WE ASSUME THESE DEMONSTRATIONS WERE ORGANIZED WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE ZAIRIAN GOVERNMENT. MOST OF THE DEMONSTRATORS WERE MARSHALLED IN SMALL GROUPS, HAD CLEARLY-DEFINED LEADERS, AND WERE IDENTIFIED BY SIMULATED BANDAGES AROUND THEIR FOREHEADS. THEY CARRIED SIGNS IDENTIFYING
THEMSELVES AS MEMBERS OF THE JMPR (THE YOUTH WING OF ZAIRE'S
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SINGLE POLITICAL PARTY). MOREOVER, EMBASSY OFFICERS HAVE NOT DETECTED ANY POPULAR SENTIMENT OF SO VIOLENT A NATURE AGAINST ANY OF THE GOVERNMENTS ACCUSED OF BEING INVOLVED IN THE SHABA ATTACK.
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